

REMARKS

Reconsideration of this application, in view of the amendments, is respectfully requested.

Prior to this amendment, Claims 1-16 were pending in the application, with Claims 1, 4, 6, 9 and 10 being the independent claims.

The Examiner objected to Claims 5, 6, 8 and 9. The Examiner rejected Claims 1-16 under 35 U.S.C. §102(e) as being anticipated by U.S. Patent No. 6,631,275 to *Martin et al.* (hereinafter, *Martin*).

Regarding the objection to Claims 5, 6, 8 and 9, the claims have been amended as suggested by the Examiner. For example, Claim 5 has been amended to recite transmitting the assignment complete message to the mobile switching center when assignment of the wireless channels is completed. Accordingly, the objection to Claims 5, 6, 8 and 9 should be withdrawn.

Regarding the §102(e) rejection, the Examiner contends that each element of Claims 1-16 is taught or suggested by *Martin*. *Martin* discloses a method for accelerating call establishment in a radio communication system. Instead of waiting for completion of dialing, the terminal immediately sends a channel request message to the network. Claims 1-3, 10, 11 and 16 have been cancelled without prejudice.

Claim 4 recites, in part, a method for performing call setup by a base station upon a call attempt by a mobile station in a mobile communication system having the base station for serving the mobile station, and a mobile switching center for controlling the base station. After transmitting a channel assignment message, wireless channels are assigned to the mobile station. After completion of the assignment of the wireless channels, a service request message is transmitted to the mobile switching center requesting assignment of a wire resource when an origination continuation message containing a recipient's phone number is received from the mobile station. Upon receiving a wireless resource assignment request message from the mobile

switching center, the wireless resource assignment request message is acknowledged as a message indicating completion of the assignment of the wire resource in the mobile switching center.

Martin describes the use of Dual Tone Multifrequency (DTMF) in Public Land Mobile Systems (PLMN) and Global System for Mobile Communication (GSM). However, *Martin* fails to provide any disclosure relating to requesting assignment of wire resources at a mobile switching center when a recipient's phone number is received from a mobile station, and the acknowledgement of a wireless resource assignment request message from the mobile switching center as a message indicating completion of the assignment of the wire resource in the mobile switching center, as recited in Claim 4.

The Examiner contends that *Martin* discloses a system that is made of GSM and PLMN networks that support wired and wireless communications, however, *Martin* fails to provide any disclosure that teaches or suggests the specific recitations of Claim 4 described above. Further, the Examiner fails to provide any evidence that these elements would be inherent in *Martin*. Thus, Claim 4 is patentable over *Martin*.

The Examiner also rejected independent Claims 6 and 9 under 35 U.S.C. §102(e). Claims 6 and 9 contain subject matter similar to that of Claim 4. In view of the above, Claims 6 and 9 are also patentable over *Martin*.

Regarding Claims 5, 7, 8 and 12-15, while not conceding the patentability of the dependent claims, *per se*, these claims are also patentable for at least the above reasons. Accordingly, Applicants assert that Claims 4-9 and 12-15 are allowable over *Martin*, and the rejection under 35 U.S.C. §102(e) should be withdrawn.

Accordingly, all of the claims pending in the Application, namely, Claims 4-9 and 12-15 are believed to be in condition for allowance. Should the Examiner believe that a telephone

conference or personal interview would facilitate resolution of any remaining matters, the Examiner may contact Applicants' attorney at the number given below.

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